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By ARTHUR SAUL SUPER

WHOEVER said that there were only two certainties in life—death and taxes—knew what he was talking about and the imminence of a draft budget which will reach the record sum of IL. 1,500m. brings his words vividly to mind. In this tenth anniversary year we have spoken proudly of many aspects of phenomenal growth; of a population doubled and then trebled, of geometric progression in the provision of electric power; of the dizzy pace at which new homes are built, the rise in the numbers of children at school — until today it is nearly half a million. But we never quote the fact that the budget of the State has been the unrivalled champion of all these heroic manifestations of growth.

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AGAINST the first of the two inevitabilities—death and taxes — it is useless to fight, against the second we continually gird our loins but we have to pay all the same. Indeed there is something just a little hysterical in the passion and fury with which otherwise good citizens oppose additional taxation. When income tax of a kind was introduced into England at the time of the Napoleonic wars, it was subject to a long and gruelling attack until it was abolished in 1815. It was reimposed by Peel in 1842 at the rate of sevenpence in the pound, but it was not long before exemption for earned income was raised to no less than £2,000 per annum. When it was proposed to put an extra penny on income tax, an outcry arose which indicated that this policy of confiscation meant the utter ruin of Britain and all her colonies.

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INDEED the thought of taxes roused one of Britain's most famous editors to produce an article on taxation which has become not only a classic, but the source of plagiarism by politicians ever since. "Taxes," wrote Sydney Smith, nearly a century and a half ago, "upon every article which enters into the mouth, or covers the back or is placed under the foot — taxes upon every thing which it is pleasant to see, hear, feel, smell or taste — taxes upon warmth, light and locomotion — taxes on everything on earth, and the waters under the earth — on everything that comes from abroad, or is grown at home — taxes on the raw materials — taxes on every fresh value that is added to it by the industry of man — taxes on the sauce which pampers man's appetite, and the drug that restores him to health — on the ermine which decorates the judge, and the rope which hangs the criminal — on the poor man's salt and the rich man's spice — on the brass rails of the coffin, and the ribands of the bride — at bed or board, *couchant* or *levant*, we must pay. The schoolboy whips his taxed top — the beardless youth manages his taxed horse, with a taxed bridle on a taxed road: — and the dying Englishman, pouring his medicine, which has paid seven per cent, into a spoon that has paid 15 per cent — flings himself back upon his chintz bed — which had paid 22 per cent — and expires in the arms of an apothecary who has paid a licence of a hundred pounds for the privilege of putting him to death. His whole property is then immediately taxed from two to 10 per cent. Besides the probate, large fees are demanded for burying him in the chancel; his virtues are handed down to posterity on taxed marble; and he is then gathered to his fathers — to be taxed no more."

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BUT today, although no one likes to pay taxes, a different spirit will have to prevail. Otherwise where is the writer with the invective of Sydney Smith to react to our modern swollen budgets? Our high taxes today are acceptable, certainly in Israel, because we are levying them on ourselves and spending them on purposes for which we have longed to spend them for centuries: the ingathering of the exiles and the building up of a homeland of our own. But this does not mean that we like taxes; the best word that can be said for them is that they are just preferable to their fellow inevitability — death.

Tel Aviv, December 21.

Radio Contact Between Earth and U.S. Satellite

4 Ton Orb Circles Every 100 Minutes

WASHINGTON (Reuter).— President Eisenhower's Christmas message was on Saturday successfully transmitted to the giant four-ton orbiting Atlas in radio-telegraph code and then relayed back to earth.

The era of space communications opened on Friday with a tape-recorded Christmas peace message from President Eisenhower to the world, broadcast from the satellite, which was launched from Cape Canaveral, Florida, on Thursday night.

Scientists then erased the tape-recorded message aboard the satellite, recorded it again in outer space by radio transmission from earth, and then received it back on the ground by radio.

An attempt will also be made to employ the space-borne instruments in the satellite to relay messages received "live" from ground stations.

Later, the President will record a New Year message, which it is hoped the satellite will be able to retransmit in this way. The satellite, circling the earth at 17,000 miles an hour, has a life expectancy of another 18 days.

The launching of the satellite is being hailed here as a big step forward in the American space race with the Soviet Union. Dr. William Pickering, Director of the California Institute of Technology's Propulsion Laboratory, said, "We have closed the gap, so that we are now only one year behind Russia. Up till now we were three to five years behind."

(On Friday, Moscow Radio reported that the ton-and-a-half Sputnik III has completed its 3,000th circulation of the earth.)

Manned Space Station

Convair Astronautics, makers of Atlas missiles, said that an Atlas space station with a crew of four men could be circling the earth within five years. The Atlas could put the space station into orbit 400 miles over the earth, the company said. It added, however, that it had no formal plan for such a venture.

Thursday's successful firing climaxed a year of hard work that included 16 launchings.

President Eisenhower's announcement of the successful firing of the missile said that "the entire vehicle is in orbit," and added significantly, "The launching constitutes a distinct step forward in space operations. The success offers new opportunities to the U.S. and all mankind for activities in outer space. The centre vehicle is the third stage of the 100-ton Atlas."

The satellite was reported to have penetrated 928 miles (1,493 kms.) into outer space — more than 200 miles higher than was estimated earlier. Travelling in an orbit of 32 degrees north and 32 degrees south the satellite's most northerly position as it passed over the U.S. could be just north of Dallas, Texas. Its southerly points would include north of Sydney, Australia, and south of Rio de Janeiro, and south of Johannesburg.

The third stage of the Atlas, which had shed about 96 tons of take-off weight by dropping off the first two stages or engines as they were exhausted during the upward rush, was circling the earth once every 100 minutes with its orbit ranging from an apogee of 625 miles (1,000 kms.) to a perigee of 118 miles (186 kms.) from the earth. It was transmitting to the earth on 132.435 and 132.905 megacycles.

Defence Department officials said the chief purpose of the experiment was to make the satellite a relay station for radio signals.

ARMY BID FAILS

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida (Reuter). — The U.S. Army on Saturday failed in its first attempt to launch the giant Titan missile, an intercontinental companion to the 6,300 mile-range Atlas.

An official announcement said failure was through "a malfunction shortly after ignation, causing automatic cut-off of the ignition while the missile was still on the launching pad."

West Europe to Get American Medium-Range Missiles

WASHINGTON. — Defence Secretary Neil H. McElroy said on Saturday that the U.S. may soon complete agreements to send some of its eight projected intermediate range ballistic missile squadrons to Italy and other European nations.

Mr. McElroy said on his return from the NATO meeting in Paris that developments in Europe might result in "expansion" of I.R.B.M. deployment plans. So far only Britain has formally accepted I.R.B.M.'s and is to receive four Thor squadrons.

In Paris the NATO Secretary-General, Mr. Paul-Henri Spaak, told the Western European Assembly that the only way for the West to balance Soviet superiority in conventional armaments was to allow Western forces to use "so-called tactical nuclear weapons."

Mr. Spaak stressed the unanimity of the NATO powers in the face of the Russian threat to West Berlin, and said, "It seems to me that if we are not careful the Berlin affair can be the beginning of the process we knew from 1935, and I find in the current action of Russia striking reminder of that which was at the beginning of Hitler's policy."

(Reuter, UPI)

Mikoyan Trip May Break E-W Impasse

PARIS. — Next month's visit to the U.S. by Soviet Deputy Premier Mikoyan may, in the view of diplomatic observers in Paris, provide the key to easing East-West tension over Berlin.

With the NATO Ministerial Council just ended, East and West have formally taken up positions of deadlock.

The U.S.S.R. has repudiated its international obligations on Berlin, called for a "free city" of West Berlin by May 27 and declared any "aggression" on the East Germans who are to control West Berlin's lifelines will meet full resistance by the Warsaw Pact.

Nato Rejection

NATO has rejected the Soviet proposals, called on the U.S. to negotiate on the whole German problem and in Friday night's communique warned it would use nuclear weapons to repel aggression.

This re-emergence of Germany as the major world crisis point could hardly be by-passed by Mr. Mikoyan in his discussions in the U.S. It was thought. The logical sequence, it was felt, to a successful Mikoyan visit to the U.S. would be a carefully prepared "summit" conference between East and West later in 1959.

The U.S. State Department, in an 8,000-word statement issued on Saturday, accused Russia of violating international law in attempting to interfere with the occupation rights of the West in Berlin. It rebutted the Soviet case for unilateral renunciation of Allied agreements and said the Western Big Three had remained faithful to its accords with Russia.

Soviet Party Stresses Rural Development

MOSCOW (Reuter). — The Central Committee of the Communist Party declared on Friday that the rapid development of agriculture is the most important task of the Party and the people.

The Committee's decree was issued after it had endorsed the report by Premier Khrushchev on the development of Soviet agriculture.

The report stressed shortcomings in agricultural production and blamed the "anti-Party" group of Bulganin, Molotov, Malenkov, Shepilov and Kaganovich for obstructing measures to increase production.

(Bulganin Confesses, — P.5)

TWO SOLDIERS SLAIN IN CYPRUS

NICOSIA (Reuter). — Two British airmen were killed and a third injured when a mine went off under a water tower in east Cyprus on Saturday, it was officially announced.

Three Greek Cypriots were sentenced to death in Nicosia on Friday after pleading guilty to having under their control arms and ammunition.

In Athens, Foreign Minister Averoff said Saturday night: "The ice between Greece and Turkey has been broken." "Although there is not yet room for optimism, the climate of Greek-Turkish relations is tangibly warmer," he declared on his return from Paris.

De Gaulle to be Voted President Today

PARIS (UPI). — French electors will name Premier Charles de Gaulle to a seven-year term as President tomorrow, making him the most powerful French Chief of State since Napoleon III.

His two opponents are Communist George Marrane, 71, Mayor of the Paris "red-belt" suburb of Ivry, and Albert Chatelet, 75, a Sorbonne science professor put up by the anti-Communist left. Neither was given a chance.

Rebel Action Over Orsal Threatened

The Headquarters of the "National Resistance Movement" in the Lebanon distributed pamphlets in Beirut over the weekend warning that if the Government fails to take drastic action against those responsible for the "Orsal crime," "civil resistance action" would be launched throughout the country, the Arab News Agency reported on Saturday.

Forty-five children of the border village of Orsal are still missing. They had been sent to the hills for refuge after the village last week was bombarded by Army artillery and planes in retaliation for the killing of a popular officer of the security forces in the area.

The Orsalis backed the rebels during the recent insurrection, and feeling has been bitter between the villagers and the forces stationed in the region.

Iran Counters Iraq Action in Gulf

TEHERAN (Reuter). — A bill to extend Persia's territorial waters in the Persian Gulf from six to 12 miles was tabled in the Senate on Saturday by Deputy Foreign Minister Javad Sada.

The measure is seen here as aimed at preserving Persian rights in the Gulf following Iraq's decision last month to extend her waters there to 12 miles.

In Iraq, more than 50,000 persons attending a "peace rally" at Najaf approved cables to the Persian and Turkish embassies in Baghdad "vigorously condemning" the establishment of American military bases in their countries. The cables also attacked the Baghdad Pact, and one pledged full support for Premier Kassem.

An Arab nationalist source in Beirut said on Friday that demonstrations in favour of Abdul Nasser occurred in Mosul, Iraq, on Tuesday, and that a 24-hour strike was staged there. The Iraqi army refused to intervene to disperse the demonstrators, the source added.

SYRIANS CHARGE NEGLECT BY UAR

CAIRO (Reuter). — Syrian businessmen complained to Abdul Nasser on Friday about import restrictions in the Syrian region of the U.A.R., "Al Ahram" reported.

The businessmen, visiting the U.A.R. leader as a 38-man delegation from the Syrian Chambers of Commerce, said experts should be consulted before any more economic legislation was promulgated.

According to "Al Ahram," the businessmen also complained against agrarian reforms in Syria where they said the maximum annual income per holding was about LE2,200 against LE8,000 for holdings of equal size in Egypt.

Nasser, replying, said: "We must organize ourselves to protect the community from the deluge and to build a society in conformity with our customs and religion instead of all of us becoming machines."

He added that there were still some "loose ends" in Syria because the Government still did not have full authority over capital.

Ghana Opposition Chiefs Arrested

ACCRA (Reuter). — Mr. R.R. Amponsah, General Secretary of the United (Opposition) Party, and Mr. M.K. Apaloo, a member of the Party's Executive, have been arrested under the Preventive Detention Act, it was announced on Saturday. They are alleged to have been planning a coup *d'état* against the regime of Premier Nkrumah.

A Defence Ministry statement said the two men, who are also Members of Parliament, had been detained "in order to prevent them acting in a manner prejudicial to the security of the state."

Thirty-eight other persons — all claimed as members by the United Party — have been detained since last month on charges of plotting the overthrow of the Government, and the assassination of Dr. Nkrumah.

Indonesia Prohibits All Exit from Sumatra

SINGAPORE (Reuter). — The Indonesian Government has clamped a blanket ban on any person — Indonesian or foreign — leaving Sumatra for overseas, according to airline and shipping authorities here on Saturday.

Unconfirmed reports reaching here said there was confusion in Medan where troops were conducting house-to-house searches. Heavy fighting had been going on in the region and around Padang and Bukit Tinggi. Jakarta authorities had announced earlier this month that they expected a rebel "state of Sumatra" to be proclaimed "in a certain city."

Locusts Driven from Lachish

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — The swarms of locusts that invaded the Lachish Area on Friday disappeared nearly entirely on Saturday morning. Most of them crossed the border into Jordan while a few continued northwards to the Gedera-Hatzor area and were reported as far north as Rehovot.

One large swarm was reported to have landed on the Hazera farm near Masmiya, while at Kfar Menahem all members and children were mobilized to chase the locusts out of the fields and orchards.

Heavy damage was reported from Kibbutz Gat, where the locusts began feeding on young roots and leaves. The area was cleared by Saturday by planes of the Plant Protection Department brought into action.

Earlier on Friday, planes destroyed a large swarm at Nir Galim south of Ashdod. Another swarm reported in the vicinity of Nir Oz will be sprayed on Sunday morning.

In the fields of Yotvata, near Eilat, settlers were joined by Gadna youth from Beer Ora to fight off a locust swarm that appeared on Saturday afternoon. The swarm was destroyed and practically no damage was suffered, it is reported.

Chinese Appetizer Now Made Here

HAIFA. — "Soya sauce is to a meal what a beautiful complexion is to a woman's face," a Frenchman has said. There is something to be said for such a view. The Chinese believe that soya beans exercise a beneficial influence on the human skin, and clean it of impurities.

Soya sauce is also a tasty medicine against lack of appetite and lack of pleasure in eating. No wonder that soy sauce is served with every meal throughout Eastern Asia, America and Europe.

Soya sauce is now made by the Telma Works in Haifa in accordance with an old Chinese recipe. Try it out and let your family try it. It is something new. Soya sauce is obtainable at every good grocery.

(Adv.)

Bentov-Eshkol Rift Before Cabinet Today

POST Political Reporter

The dispute between the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol and the Minister of Development, Mr. Mordechai Bentov, over a proposed mission to the Far East to be headed by the latter, which flared into prominence on Thursday, will in all likelihood be discussed at Sunday's Cabinet session, according to well-informed sources in Jerusalem.

The topic has not been included on the Cabinet's agenda but it is expected to be raised by several Ministers. It is learned that both Mapai and Mapam circles believe that the next step should come from the Prime Minister. The Mapai Secretariat which met on Friday did not discuss the letters sent by the two Ministers to Mr. Ben-Gurion, as it was generally felt the matter was purely a governmental one and should be dealt with by the Prime Minister within the Cabinet.

Mapam circles too have expressed the feeling that it is now up to Mr. Ben-Gurion to create a more united atmosphere in his Cabinet. It is learned, however, that no additional steps were taken over the week-end.

Treasury Astonished

Sources close to the Finance Ministry on Saturday expressed astonishment, that letters from Ministers to their chief were released to the public by the Ministry of Development. These sources also stressed the fact that the objection to the Far East mission, raised by Mr. Eshkol at the Ministerial Economic Committee, was shared by other members, apart from Mr. Sapir.

It is understood that cancellation of Mr. Bentov's mission must be made through the Foreign Ministry which has not yet taken any action in this direction. Sources close to the Ministry of Development claimed on Saturday night that, unless the Prime Minister undertakes far-reaching conciliatory steps, it was unlikely that Mr. Bentov would reconsider his decision to call off the trip.

The main item on the Cabinet agenda is a discussion of the draft budget to be presented by the Minister of Finance. This will be preceded by political reports by the Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister, dealing mainly with the topics to be brought up in talks with U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold in Jerusalem on January 1-3.

(Ya'ari Attack — Page 2, Col. 6)

'Al Ahram' Queries Soviet Support

CAIRO (Reuter). — An article in the leading Egyptian newspaper "Al Ahram" on Saturday for the first time broached the question of whether the Soviet Union had changed its attitude to Arab nationalism.

The article, signed by Hassan Heikal a close friend of Abdul Nasser said Communist organizations had intensified their activities in the Middle East during the past months but he dismissed as "remote" the possibility that Russia would abandon her stand in favour of Arab nationalism for the sake of such groups.

Heikal said that over the past years the Communists supported nationalists in their "anti-imperialist struggle" in the Middle East. The question could be asked now: "Will they abandon Nationalist ranks in a bid to hoist the red banners over the Middle East or will they stop all Communist activities?"

Heikal argued that Russia would not alter her policy, neither because the Baghdad pact had been shattered by Iraq's withdrawal, nor because the invention of rockets made her bid to win Middle East peoples' friendship obsolete.

Heikal said Arab nationalism was seeking to restore friendship and co-existence with the West but the West had not yet abandoned its policy of treachery as, for example, that "the British Ambassador in Baghdad still tried last week to intrigue between Baghdad and Cairo."

On another page "Al Ahram" said Russia would not only contribute financially to building the Aswan High Dam but accept responsibility for its technical and engineering aspects.

"Al Ahram" added that West Germany may grant 2,000m. marks (more than £170m.) credits for the dam.

Anglo-Egyptian Oilfields Ltd., a Shell subsidiary, sequestrated in 1956, has been granted fresh oil exploration concessions in Egypt, an Economy Ministry spokesman said Thursday night.

The Ministry spokesman said the agreement would be implemented after settlement of Anglo-Egyptian financial problems which resulted from the 1956 nationalization of the Suez Canal and the subsequent British invasion.

Israel Fighters Down UAR Mig Over Negev

Eight Enemy Jets Trespass

Israel Mystere fighter planes at noon on Saturday shot down an Egyptian Mig 17 well inside Israel territory near Nitzana. All the Israel planes returned to base safely.

Eight Egyptian Mig's crossed the border shortly before noon, penetrating Israel air space up to 40 kilometres in the region south of Beersheba, the Army spokesman announced.

Israel fighters intercepted the Migs at 32,000 ft. and hit one from a range of 100 metres. The Mig formation fled back across the border, and the damaged plane was seen to crash in smoke in Egyptian territory. Its pilot was seen parachuting out.

In the past three weeks U.A.R. Migs and Ilyushins have violated Israel air space on several occasions, in the North and in the South, by day and night, flying at high and low altitudes, Aluf Mishne Ezer Weizman, O.C. Air Force said in Tel Aviv on Saturday night.

These incursions were not difficult for the U.A.R., as we are a small country and their planes could get back to their own territory before being intercepted. "But we knew that if we waited patiently, the day would come when we could engage them," A/M Weizman said.

He pointed out that Saturday's engagement was the first against the U.A.R. since the Sinai campaign in 1956. The victim was the 13th jet plane shot down by Israel aircraft. "Though the Israel fighters may be fewer than the Egyptians, I have no doubts about the outcome of such engagements. Our airmen are better trained," he said. The morale in the Air Force today is "32,000 feet high," he added.

Egyptian Allegation

Cairo Radio on Saturday claimed that four Israel planes which intruded into Egyptian air space over El Arish, in Sinai, were driven away by Egyptian fighters.

The radio said the incident shows that "British imperialism and Zionism are once again plotting against Arab nationalism."

Meanwhile, the Cairo and Damascus press on Saturday continued to publish stories claiming concentrations of Israel forces near the Syrian border. Cairo newspapers gave prominence to an interview given by Abdul Nasser to an Indian journalist, in which he declared that "there are indications Israel may attack at any minute."

Victorious Pilot Tells His Story

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The pilot of the Mystere that shot down the Egyptian Mig on Saturday is a 26-year old moustachioed *sabra* and a veteran of the Sinai Campaign. He is married and is the father of a two-year-old son.

Wearing an open-necked shirt, with parachute wings pinned to the left side of his shirt and pilot's wings to the right, he faced military correspondents on Saturday night to tell his story:

"We were patrolling in the Nitzana region at 30,000 feet when

my Number Two said he spotted Mig's in the direction of 2 o'clock. We immediately broke towards them, and we saw there were four of them," the pilot said.

Came Up Behind Them

"They were a little above us, at 32,000 ft., and to the northeast in Israel air space. We came up behind them and they turned off for home. I fired my first volley when 600 metres from their leading plane. He managed to get away. Then I fixed onto number two and let him have a burst at 300 metres, then 200, and then bore into him from 100 metres distance," said the pilot demonstrating with his hands.

"I saw that I had hit his left wing and that he was losing fuel. Smoke trailed behind him as he lost altitude. The pilot ejected himself at about 20,000 feet and I saw him bail out. The whole thing took less than half-a-minute."

The Mig 17 did not get a shot in at the Mysteres, and the pilot pointed out that the Egyptian's firing would in any case have been hopeless as the Israel planes were on their tails throughout the engagement.

The Israel Mystere is equipped with 30mm. guns, compared with the Mig 17's two 37mm. and two 23mm. guns.

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Social & Personal

Members of the Diplomatic Corps resident in Ramat Gan visited the National Park there last week and were welcomed by Mayor Krinitzi and Deputy Mayor Sieman. The visitors were: The British Ambassador, Sir Francis Rundall; the Minister of Burma and Mrs. Tin Maung Gyi; the Minister of Austria, Dr. Ernst Luegmayer, and Miss Luegmayer; the Counsellor to the French Embassy and Mrs. Raymond Vizzavona; the Counsellor to the U.S. Embassy, Mr. Frank P. Butler; the Commercial Counsellor at the U.S.S.R. Embassy and Mrs. Vladimir I. Beltchenko; the First Secretary to the U.S.S.R. Embassy, Mr. Grigorio P. Koupka; the Second Secretary to the U.S.S.R. Embassy, Mr. A. Korolenko; the Attache to the Turkish Legation, Mr. Yakup Alp; the wife of the Japanese Minister, Mrs. Kuniyoshi Negishi, and the wife of the Belgian Minister, Mrs. Amaury Hoivoet.

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Mr. and Mrs. Mordechai Mayer gave a reception at their residence at Bat Yam on Thursday for Mr. John W. Coopes, Secretary of the Liberian Department of Agriculture and Commerce. Among those present were the Liberian Ambassador, members of the diplomatic and consular corps and banking and industrial leaders.

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Mayor Abba Khoushy on Thursday night opened the first large collective exhibition by Ein Hod artists at the village's new gallery. The exhibition, which will remain open for three weeks, includes oils, watercolours, lithographs and ceramics by more than 70 artists.

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The Union Bank-Bank Leumi Diamond Financing Consortium on Thursday gave a luncheon in honour of the Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Michael Tsour, at the Dan Hotel in Tel Aviv. Mr. Tsour recently returned together with Mr. Veet of the Union Bank from a visit to the London Diamond Syndicate.

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A baby ward at the Wiso Mothercraft Training Centre in Tel Aviv was endowed last week by the Women Zionists of Southern Africa in the name of Dr. Mary Gordon, who served for many years as general supervisor of the institution. The speakers included Mmes. Anna Braude and Katie Gluckman on behalf of the Centre's Supervisory Board; Mmes. Rosa Ginossar and Joan Comay for the World Wiso Executive, and Mr. Louis Pincus, Vice-Chairman of the Israel Office of the South African Zionist Federation. The plaque was unveiled by Mrs. J. Raphael.

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General Ivan Gerard who recently visited Israel as Chairman of the International Federation of Resistance Movements, participated in the gala opening of the Keren Hayesod appeal in the Belgian Congo in response to an invitation from the Zionist Organization there.

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Prof. G. M. J. Schmidt, head of the Department of X-Ray Crystallography at the Weizmann Institute of Science, has been elected Chairman of the Scientific Committee for a two-year period beginning on January 1, 1959.

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MEMORIAL

A memorial meeting on the 30th day after the death of Elias M. Epstein, Director of Z.O.A. House, will be held at 5 p.m. on Sunday (today) at Z.O.A. House.

A Dinner Dance will be held on Wednesday, December 31 at the Ramat Aviv Hotel. Attractions feature Babe Wallace, singing in the Supper Room. Special 7-course festive menu. Please reserve your table early — phone 22181. *(Advt.)*

LYDDA AIRPORT FLIGHTS

ARRIVALS: El Al 422 from Munich and Vienna at 0655. El Al 406 from Istanbul at 16.30. Air France 193 from Tokyo, Manilla, Saigon, Bangkok, Karachi and Teheran at 1730. B.E.A. 126 from London, Rome and Athens at 2250. El Al 210 from New York, Paris and Rome at 23.55. Swissair 322 from Zurich and Athens at 0055.

DEPARTURES: T.W.A. 741 to Athens, Rome, Zurich and New York at 0845. El Al 405 to Istanbul at 0900. B.E.A. 129 for Athens, Zurich and London at 0930. Alitalia 499 to Rome at 1230. El Al 201 to Athens, Zurich, London and New York at 1500. Air France 193 to Rome and Paris at 1530.

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Bulganin Confesses He Led 'Foul' Anti-Party Group

MOSCOW (Reuter).—"Pravda" on Friday published in full the confession of ex-Premier Nikolai Bulganin, made at the previous night's session of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

Bulganin reportedly admitted in full his own share of "foulness" in linking up with the "anti-Party group."

Although disgraced, the exiled members of the group retain their party membership. The "Pravda" report did not say whether Bulganin, who was dismissed from the Party Presidium last September, was to be expelled from the Central Committee.

Bulganin's denunciation and admission was made at a strategic time, six weeks before the opening of the 21st Soviet Communist Party Congress.

BULGANIN

'Khrushchev Correct'

Bulganin is said to have admitted that everything his successor, Premier Khrushchev, had accused "the anti-Party group" of doing was correct.

"Bulganin said that the members of the anti-Party group constantly opposed the course laid down by the 20th Congress of the Party and prevented its decision from being brought into force."

Bulganin described Molotov as "a man estranged from life and the people, who knew nothing of industry and agriculture."

He said Kaganovich was "a man adept at fine phrases who occupied himself with hindering work by his long and confused speeches."

Ex-Prime Minister Georgi Malenkov was "an intriguer, capable of any dirty trick and any abomination."

"When in 1957 the anti-Party activities of Malenkov, Kaganovich, Molotov and Shepilov actively developed, I joined them . . . being then Chairman of the Council of Ministers, and not only became their accomplice but also nominally their leader. The anti-Party group met in my office and there concerted their anti-Party fractionary work.

Rotten Swamp

"The stern and principled assessment of the criminal activities of the anti-Party group, and of my participation in it, revealed and helped me to realise all the harm of the group and to see the rottenness of the anti-Party swamp in which I found myself.

"Today I honestly try to fulfil the duties with which I was entrusted by the Central Committee. Working in the Council of National Economy I see the genius-like character and the wisdom of the policy of our Party and its Central Committee in its practical work in leading the national economy of the country."

The anti-Party group, he said, had retarded the work of the Presidium of the Central Committee and had fought bitterly against the reorganisation of the management of industry and building, against the extension of the rights of Union Republics and local Party and Soviet bodies.

Fulbright Scholarship Applications Invited

TEL AVIV. — The U.S. Educational Foundation in Israel known as "the Fulbright Programme," has announced that a competition is open for a limited number of travel grants to the United States and return, for Israel lecturers, researchers and graduate students who plan to study or teach at accredited United States institutions of higher learning, and who have been accepted by the universities concerned.

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MALTA. — Talks in London on Malta's constitutional future have failed, the Colonial Office stated on Friday. They had lasted five weeks.

VISITORS' GALLERY: ALEX GRAHAM

'Oxbridge' Don with UNESCO

One of the central figures at the International Seminar on Adult and Workers' Education which closed in Tel Aviv last night was Mr. Alex Graham.

As Head of UNESCO's Adult Education Section he is one of the small body of international civil servants who have done much towards realising the vision of "mutual appreciation and understanding of Eastern and Western cultural values" which lies behind much of UNESCO's work.

He himself reminds one of the quietly witty, donnish figures out of Sir Charles Snow's novels on "Oxbridge" — the difference of course being his New Zealand birth and his Australian wife. Paris is now his home, being the headquarters of UNESCO.

One of the U.N.'s younger top-grade civil servants, at 34 Mr. Graham has been involved in adult education ever since his New Zealand days when he worked amongst the Maoris. The whole idea of adult education as part of UNESCO activities first took definite shape at a World Conference held at Elsinore, in Denmark, in 1949. The post-war world demanded effective and coordinated adult education schemes on an international level, Mr. Graham explains. One practical outcome of the Elsinore meeting was the formation of the UNESCO Consultative Committee for adult education, followed by a series of seminars held in France in 1952-3.

East-West Project

The idea developed further after the UNESCO General Conference at New Delhi in 1956, from which emerged the East-West project, of which the present seminar in Tel Aviv is one typical activity. The initiative on this seminar was taken by the Israel National Commission for UNESCO, of which the Histadrut Cultural Centre — a co-sponsor of the Seminar — is a part.

Mr. Graham stresses that UNESCO's whole programme is closely concerned with Adult Education — whether in the Education Department, the Department of Mass Communications, the Departments of Cultural Activities and Natural and Social Sciences, or through the Exchange of Persons Service. The most important role of adult education is that "of helping people adjust to a speedily changing technological world," he says.

Above all, "Adult Education is more and more conceived within a framework of continuing, permanent education, and not as an ad hoc remedy for deficiencies in school systems, or as a limited activity over a limited period of time," he stresses. The ramifications of UNESCO's activities are apparent in many fields, especially that of publications, where commercial firms have followed the lead set by the international organization. In this connection, Mr. Graham reported that an album devoted to Israel mosaics would appear next year in the UNESCO World Art Series.

In the case of adult education, returns are not so immediate as in other fields, but if any results are achieved then it will be due to the efforts of men such as Mr. Graham and his hard-working, much-travelled colleagues.

They now look expectantly to 1960, when the next UNESCO World Conference on Adult Education will be held.

There are many people, the whole world over, who hope that thereby will be laid to rest the dangerous myths of all the world's Kiplings and that "the twain" will eventually meet for everyone's mutual benefit. *M.S.*

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WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The U.S. Export-Import Bank on Thursday announced that it was releasing loans totalling IL15m. to 28 Israel enterprises.

The funds are generated in Israel currency by the sale of surplus U.S. farm produce in Israel.

Four of the loans, totalling IL5.5m. will be used to provide storage facilities for more than 100,000 tons of wheat grains imported annually from the U.S. The others are to be made to firms producing goods ranging from motor car parts to chemical products and furniture.

One of the biggest credits — IL3.41m. — will go to Kaiser-Fraser of Israel to finance completion of an automotive stamping plant and construction of an engine building plant in Ashkelon.

Yitzhak Chizik Buried in Kiryat Gat

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KIRYAT GAT. — The funeral took place here at noon on Friday of Yitzhak (Horpy) Chizik, who died two weeks ago in Chicago, where he was serving as Israel Consul.

Among the 1,000 persons who attended the funeral were members of the family, the Foreign Minister, the Director General of the Ministry, the Jerusalem District Police Commander and Mayors of a number of southern towns, as well as Mr. G. Ben Ami and many of the former District Officers who served with Chizik in the Mandatory period.

Mrs. Meir, who spoke at the graveside, paid tribute to Chizik and to the famous pioneering family of which he was a member.

Yitzhak Horpy was the first Director of the Kiryat Gat Project, founded in 1955.

Before being brought to Kiryat Gat, the coffin, draped in a flag and decked with wreaths, rested for two hours at the Library of the Tel Aviv Municipal Hospital. Among those who filed past to pay their last respects were the President's Aide, the Minister of Commerce and Industry, senior Government officials, the Mayor of Tel Aviv, judges, lawyers, police officers, Hagana veterans, Tel Aviv and Jaffa port workers and numerous friends.

Eulogies were delivered at the Kiryat Gat local council building by Mr. G. Maor, head of the Council, and by Mr. A. Greenfeld secretary of the local labour council. Mr. L. Argov, Director of the Lachish Region Project, spoke at the graveside, and kaddish was recited by Mr. Aharon Chizik, a brother.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY GETS GIFT OF £1,000

The family of the late Mr. Reuben Cohen, J.P., former Registrar of the Stockton and Middlesborough County Courts, England, has made a gift of £1,000 to the Hebrew University for a scholarship in his memory, to be awarded to a student in the Faculty of Law.

Where to go

• **Meet the Israelis:** — Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

• **Zoo:** — Jerusalem Biblical Zoo. 8-6.

• **Exhibitions:** — **New Exhibitions:** 10 Years of Archaeological Activities, 1948-1958. Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1; 3-5.

Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art. Expressionism. Jewish artists (from Museum Collection). Archaeological pieces. Samples of primitive sculpture. Bezalel Museum, 9-1; 2.30-6.

Exhibition of Oil Paintings and Monotypes by David Ben Shaul. Artists House, 10-1, 4-6.

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Ya'acov Agam — "Moving Pictures" and "Changing Pictures." Tel Aviv Museum, 10-4.

Painters and Sculptors Gallery, Hamlin House, 29 Rehov Weizmann, 10-1; 4-7.

• **Israel National Opera:** — "Die Fledermaus," 8.30.

• **Tourist Service:** — Visit Hadassah Club, 80 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 28280.

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• **S.O.S. Hotline:** — Tourist Service (9 a.m.-9 p.m.) daily.

Memorial Meeting ("Shloshim") for Elias M. Epstein, 5.00 p.m.

• **Theatre:** — Habimah: "Lysistrata," 8.

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• **Tourist Service:** — Hadassah Club, Youth Aliyah Office, 33 Rehov Hehalutz, Tel. 67262.

• **Exhibitions:** Consumer goods exhibition: lighting fixtures, lamps, fabrics and toys. Industrial Design Exhibition Centre, Beit Hakranot, 10-1; 4-7.

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• **Theatre:** — Habimah: "Cry, the Beloved Country," 8.

— KIRYAT HAIM —

• **Theatre:** — Ohel: "Rape of the Belt," 6.45, 9.30.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post December 21, 1958

In the Supreme Court Sitting as High Court of Justice

Before the President (Justice Olshan) Justices Landau and Berinson.

Yitzhak Kreitser, Petitioner, v. The Minister of Education & Culture & Others, Respondents (H.C. 107/58).

Registration of Pupils Must be at School of Municipality's Choice

The High Court discharged an order nisi calling on the respondents to show cause why the instructions issued to the headmaster of the Tachkemoni School in Rehovot not to register the petitioner's six-year old daughter — and other children of her age from the suburb of Mishkenot — in his School should not be withdrawn and why the petitioner's daughter should not be permitted to attend classes at the Tachkemoni School.

The petitioner, Yitzhak Kreiser, lives in a Hapoel Hamizrahi Shikun, known as Mishkenot, in Rehovot. There are two religious state schools in Rehovot: the Tachkemoni School and the Moriah School. The petitioner and other residents of Mishkenot wished to send their children to the Tachkemoni school in preference to the Moriah School and the petitioner actually registered his daughter at the former school before the school year began and before the headmaster was replaced by the fourth respondent, the present headmaster. This registration was, however, never forwarded to the director of the Department of Education of the Rehovot Municipality, and when the present headmaster took over he refused to allow the girl to attend classes on explicit instructions from the Municipal Education Department that the children from Mishkenot were not to be admitted to the Tachkemoni School as their shikun fell within the region apportioned to the Moriah School.

The petitioner thereupon petitioned the High Court for an order nisi on the grounds that the Rehovot Municipal Council in apportioning shikun Mishkenot to the Moriah school had gone contrary to the terms of section 20 of the State Education Law, 1953, which in accordance with the construction which he put on it, lays down that a pupil shall be registered at that school which is nearest his place of residence, whereas the Moriah school is further from the shikun than the other religious school, the Tachkemoni; or, alternatively, that even if the Municipal Council had not overstepped its powers it had divided the town into regions in an arbitrary and illogical way which in practice led to the petitioner's daughter having to attend a school which was further from her home, and less accessible than the Tachkemoni school, and attendance at which entailed her being more exposed to the dangers of traffic than if she were to go to the Tachkemoni school.

Section 20 of the State Education Law provides that "a pupil shall be registered at a State Educational institution or religious State-Educational institution near his place of residence" (authorised translation).

Mr. Miron appeared for the appellant, Mr. S. Kwart, Deputy State Attorney, for the Minister of Education and Mr. E. Toister for the Rehovot Local Authority.

Judgment

Justice Berinson, who delivered the judgment, refused to accept the petitioner's interpretation of Section 20 holding that this section refers to registration in an institution near to the pupil's place of residence only, and that the true significance of the word "near" may be gathered from the regulations made in accordance with Section 21 of the law, which among other things, provides that the rules for determining the educational institution near to the pupil's place of residence shall be prescribed by regulations (made by the Minister of Education).

Regulation 3 of the Registration of Pupils Regulations, 1953, he continued, defines a distance of no more than two kilometres between the school at which the pupil is obliged to register and the pupil's place of residence as being "near to his place of residence." The Rehovot Municipality, in dividing the town into two regions had, he held, kept within the bounds of this regulation, so that although the petitioner's residence might be nearer to the Tachkemoni School than to the Moriah school, it was still less than two kilometres from the latter. The regionalization had therefore been carried out in accordance with the regulations which, in turn had been made by the Minister of Education on the strength of the powers conferred on him by Section 21 of the State Education Law. There was, therefore, no question of *ultra vires*.

Furthermore, continued Justice Berinson, the High Court could find no evidence of arbitrariness in the way in which the Rehovot Municipality had divided the town for the purposes of attendance at the two respective religious schools. And as to the fact that the petitioner had already registered his daughter at the Tachkemoni School, he knew, or should have known from the notices to parents published by the Rehovot Municipality, that he had to register his daughter at the Moriah School, and if, despite this, he had succeeded in registering her at the Tachkemoni School, this registration had been effected in the knowledge that it was unlawful. It was, therefore, invalid and not binding on the Rehovot Municipality.

The order nisi was discharged and the petitioner ordered to pay IL300 costs.

Judgment given on November 24, 1958.

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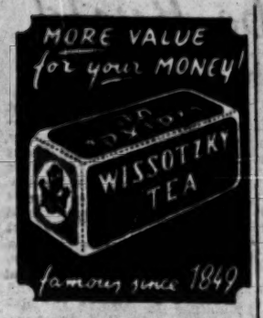

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Sdom	36	9	23	23
Eilat	15	14	27	26

*A) Humidity at 8 a.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today

ARRIVALS

M. E. Rimalt, M.K., a member of the Israel U.N. delegation, from the U.S. and Britain. (by El Al).

Dr. H. Rosenblum, Editor of "Yedioth Ahronoth," after a two-month visit to the U.S., Canada and Britain. (by El Al).

Professor Rubby Sherr, of Princeton University, to work in cooperation with Weizmann Institute scientists in the Department of Nuclear Physics.

Mrs. Rachel Kagan, Chairman of Israel WIZO, from Tokyo, where she attended the International Conference for Social Services as a member of the Israel delegation.

Dr. Ora Kedem, of the Department of Polymers of the Weizmann Institute, from Holland, where she spent a year on a Weizmann Fellowship engaged in research in the Delft laboratories of Prof. J.T. Staverman.

DEPARTURES

Dr. Zvi Dinstein, Controller of Foreign Exchange in the Finance Ministry, for Paris, on official business. (by El Al).

A COUNTERFEIT IL10 note of series H was brought in to the Beersheba branch of Bank Leumi on Friday.

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A CIVIL defence exercise will be held in Beersheba from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday. The signal for the alert will be a continuous three-minute siren blast. In the event of a real attack, sirens will sound a warbling note for three minutes.

Gala Premiere Of Ballets Africains

TEL AVIV. — A rousing reception was given the Ballets Africains de Keita Fodeba at their gala première at the Ohel Shem Hall here on Saturday night.

The performance was under the patronage of the French Ambassador, M. Pierre Gilbert. Among the audience were the Ghanaian Ambassador, members of the diplomatic corps, the Mayor of Tel Aviv and senior Foreign Ministry officials.

The dancers appeared with extra clothing in several of the numbers at the instance of the Censorship Board and one sequence "Panters and Lions," was cut. The ballet will tour Israel for three weeks.

'Madame Butterfly' At National Opera

TEL AVIV. — The soprano Michiko Sunahara took the audience by storm with her appearance and her performance singing in the premiere of "Madame Butterfly" at the Israel National Opera on Saturday night. The rich colour and costumes added to a splendid performance, enjoyed by a large enthusiastic audience.

The Japanese Minister and Mrs. Kuniyoshi Negishi, and their daughter attended the performance.

Mme. Sunahara is a member of the Tokyo Opera and the Opera Comique de Paris.

SHENKAR HONOURED ON 80TH BIRTHDAY

The directors of Bank Leumi on Thursday gave a reception at Beit Sokolow in honour of Mr. Arye Shenkar, the Chairman of the Manufacturers Association, on the occasion of his 80th birthday.

The reception was addressed by the Chairman of the Board, Dr. Y. Feerder, who dwelt on Mr. Shenkar's outstanding qualities both as a public figure in his own right and as advisor to the past and present managements of the bank.

He also announced that the Board had decided to make a donation to the Arye Shenkar Vocational School to mark the occasion.

EGON and MIRIAM WITTENBERG
take pleasure in inviting their friends and relatives to the
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of their son
Uriel-Jom
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Willy Marx ז"ל

The Family
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Peter and Marion Marx, New York.
Stefan and Marianne Marx, New York.
Deborah and Doris.

The funeral will take place today, Sunday, December 21, 1958, leaving the Rambam Hospital, Haifa, at 10 a.m.

Buses from the home of the family, 17 Shderot Wedgwood, at 9.30 a.m.

Israel-Made 12h.p. Van With Plastic Body Makes Debut

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A new locally-made vehicle has appeared on the country's roads — a 12 h.p. delivery van named Regent Fourth. It has a fibreglass reinforced plastic body and is the first of several models to be turned out by the six-month-old Autocars Company Ltd. here.

The engine, the same as used in the Anglia and Prefect, and gearbox, both British-made, are practically the only imported parts.

The Regent Fourth was designed by Israel engineers, road tested in Britain and put into mass production there by the Reliant Engineering Company for sale in the U.K. Autocars here hold the sales rights everywhere else and hope to win a foothold in the small, low-cost commercial car market of the U.S.

The vehicles made here are chiefly intended for export, but some are being sold on the local market. The price here is IL4,600 including taxes (IL3,700 without).

Introducing the Regent Fourth at a press show on Friday, the Director of Autocars, Mr. Y. Shubinsky, explained the economic and technical merits of the new model: Fibreglass reinforced plastics, as strong as steel but only one-third of its weight, have become a standard material in industrially advanced countries in recent years. Their low cost, elasticity, insulating and heat-resisting properties are some of their advantages, but the most important is their plasticity which enables body sections to be moulded in simple, inexpensive forms by unskilled labour.

Mr. Shubinsky said: "Already, at the present stage, our added value is 40 per cent, and as we go on replacing imported parts by local ones, it will rise to 60 per cent." He added: "We are now busy filling our first export orders, all against hard currency, and we shall soon come out with a four-seat 300-kg.-load station wagon and pick-up."

The Regent Fourth weighs only 680 kg., can carry a payload of over half-a-ton and travels 100 kms. on 8.4 litres of petrol. The chassis, designed by Technion experts, is produced by the Lahat Metal Works here, and several other plants have also offered to manufacture it.

Mr. Ladislav Schneller, a Czech-born, British-trained plastics expert and a partner in the firm, explained that damaged body parts can be mended by "plastic surgery" or simply exchanged at low cost at service garages in the three main cities.

Fire Razes Rubber, Carpentry Shops

By MOSHE VENITZKI

TEL AVIV.—Damage estimated at IL200,000 was caused by a fire which broke out at 11 o'clock on Friday evening at 124 Rehov Nahlat Benyamin. It gutted a mechanical carpentry shop belonging to Yisrael Greenspan and the rubber-goods workshops of Messrs. Meir and Ya'acov Turner.

Over 100 fire fighters, policemen and passers-by fought the giant flames for nearly two hours. The blaze spread rapidly through an area extending from Rehov Nahlat Benjamin, Rehov Hashuk and Rehov Florentin.

Eight fire engines, equipped with three giant water-guns and 800 metres of hose, pumped water from 10 hydrants into the blazing buildings.

The watchman on duty who gave the alarm, Mr. Zvi Robinson, 66, told *The Jerusalem Post* that seconds after hearing an explosion in the carpentry shop, sparks were already leaping from the roof.

The electric supply to the southern part of the city was cut off as a score of power lines were left trailing in the road. Hundreds of people gathered on the streets to watch the flames, which could be seen from the north of the city.

Mr. Y. Greenspan was the first of the owners to appear on the spot — in his pyjamas. He fainted when he saw the losses. Mrs. Shoshana Turner, wife of one of the rubber shop proprietors, become hysterical.

The work of the firemen, called from all stations in the Dan region, was impeded by weak water pressure.

Gov't Guarantees — Immigrant Loan

The Knesset Finance Committee has authorized the Government to guarantee the IL20m. Immigration Loan being floated by the Jewish Agency, it was officially announced.

The Government Printing Press will now go ahead with the printing of the loan certificates. They will be ready within the next ten days for delivery to the Bank of Israel, which will arrange for their public issue.

Hanukka Savings Week To Be Annual Affair

The Savings Commissioner has decided to hold Savings Week every Hanukka in view of the success of Savings Week during the past holiday, the Treasury spokesman announced on Friday.

About IL10m. were added in savings deposited by 16,000 new savers in the three banks that conducted special campaigns this year. The banks—Discount Bank, Bank Leumi and Halva'a Vehisahon of Tel Aviv — distributed presents in conjunction with the drive.

At the same time the Postal Bank and the Workers' Bank conducted special drives among school children to encourage savings.

Suspect Remanded In Woman's Murder

TEL AVIV. — Leon Ellenberg, 32, of Herzliya, was on Friday remanded in custody for 15 days by Magistrate Y. Treivish, on suspicion of murdering his stepmother.

In asking for the detention order, a police representative said the accused had on Wednesday killed his stepmother, Anta Ellenberg, 51, by hitting her on the head with an empty soda siphon. He afterwards attempted suicide by slashing the veins of his left wrist.

Ellenberg, who appeared in court unshaven, wearing a grey suit and slippers, and with his left hand bandaged, will be under detention at the Ramle Prison Hospital. *(Itim.)*

IMA Rejects Nat'l Health Scheme Plan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The National Council of the Israel Medical Association on Thursday night unanimously decided to reject the Kanev Committee National Health Scheme proposal. The scheme was published by the Ministry of Labour on Thursday.

At a special meeting, the I.M.A. council identified itself with the objections raised by the Association's representative on the committee.

The doctors' spokesman informed the press that the Council objected to the proposed scheme because it would perpetuate the existence of six independent sick funds, several of them politically oriented; does not include the entire population; would tend to create inequality among various groups, and would continue the present duplication and inefficiency in medical treatment.

"The country's physicians are convinced that a general health insurance scheme to include the whole population efficiently is feasible. It can be created by broadening the provisions of the National Insurance Law and operating the scheme through the existing National Institute. The services of the existing sick funds should be incorporated in the scheme without splitting and duplication and without adding to the economy's financial burdens," the spokesman said.

War Invalids Get Free Medication

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Invalids who are under the care of the Defence Ministry's Rehabilitation Centre will now be able to obtain medicine free of charge at any of the 300 pharmacies affiliated to the Israel Pharmaceutical Association. The dispensed medicines will be charged directly to the Ministry.

This will be the third Ministry to open a "charge account" with the Association. The others are the Ministries of Health and Labour.

The 700 Ton m.s. Lachish, Zim's first refrigerated freighter, arrived in Haifa early on Saturday. Completed in Germany two months ago, she came here via South America, with 560 tons of frozen meat. The 18-man crew is under Captain Moshe Alon.

A series of stamps on Post Office activities is to be issued on January 25. Designed by Rothschild and Lipman, they highlight the rural delivery, telex, telephone and philatelic services.

Balance Twixt 'Town and Gown'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The balance must be preserved in Jerusalem between "town and *kopote*, which is our Israel version of the Old World town and gown dispute," Mr. Gershon Agron, Mayor of Jerusalem, told the Commercial Club here at their weekly luncheon on Friday.

We need to care for both, but must see that the *kopote* does not occupy a disproportionate place. In Jerusalem, there are at least 4,000 men who, while continuing their studies which no one can underestimate, should also devote four to five hours a day to productive work to earn their bread.

The drive to make Jerusalem a capital city in the truest sense of the word would be pushed relentlessly over the opposition of those who wanted it otherwise and wished to preserve the *shtetl* mentality.

Mr. Agron said that the struggle to make Jerusalem productive was gradually bearing fruit. The population had increased by nearly 100,000, to 165,000, since the War of Independence. One thing which impeded Jerusalem was the fact that the number of halt, blind and lame immigrants diverted to the city was out of proportion to their part in the total influx of newcomers.

Jerusalem Centenary Fete Next Summer

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem Municipality is making plans to make "Jerusalem Week" the highlight of the coming summer's tourist season, it is learned.

The "Week" commemorates one hundred years since the first buildings were put up by Jews outside the Old City Wall in what is now Yemin Moshe.

A Municipal committee is already drawing up plans for the week-long programme which will be held in the latter half of August. It is planned to mark the week by an archaeological symposium, and art, photograph and book exhibitions. A Gadna rally is scheduled to be held at the Stadium, and a fashion show depicting changing styles in Jerusalem dress in the past century is also planned.

A special Jerusalem Centenary coin is to be struck.

SECURITY COMMITTEE GUEST OF NAVY

Members of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee on Thursday visited Navy installations and heard a report from Aluf Z. Tsukiss, Commander of the Navy.

Goldfine Convicted Of Contempt

BOSTON (Reuter).—Bernard Goldfine, millionaire industrialist friend of the former presidential aide, Sherman Adams, was convicted here on Friday on a charge of criminal contempt for failing to comply with a Federal Court order to produce the books of one of his companies.

While Federal Judge Charles Wyzanski was delivering judgment here, Goldfine himself was appearing before a Federal Court in Washington to answer a charge of contempt of Congress. He pleaded not guilty and was remanded on bail for trial on March 16.

The contempt of Congress charge arose from his alleged refusal earlier this year to answer questions about his financial dealings before a Congressional investigation committee which was examining his relationship with Mr. Adams.

EXPLOSION. — The swank La Ronda restaurant in the tourist-hotel area of Colonia Juarez, Mexico, was ripped by a gas tanks explosion Friday night, killing five persons and injuring 21, four of them critically.

Ya'ari: Mapai Bid To Oust Mapam

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mapam will adhere firmly to the Coalition, but "there is a limit to what a party in the Government can be expected to countenance," Mr. Meir Ya'ari, M.K., told a Mapam-sponsored conference of works committees here on Friday.

The rally, attended by hundreds of delegates including Arab workers, was held at the Mograbi Hall and was called to support Mapam's wage policy. One of the main planks, it was explained, was to obtain higher wages for those employed in productive industry and building, in the bi-ennial collective pay agreements. A more "realistic" c-o-l allowance was also demanded.

Mr. Ya'ari said that the future of the Coalition depended on "whether we shall have to stand alone or will have the support of Ahdut Ha'avoda." He charged that Mapai was constantly inciting that Party against Mapam. "We must convince Mapai that losing one Coalition partner means parting with both," he added.

Mr. Y. Yudin, of the Histadrut Executive, called for a revision of wages policy. Although the national average monthly wage was IL250, many families had to live on a "starvation wage" of IL175, he declared.

Speeding Motorcyclist Loses Licence 5 Years

TEL AVIV. — A motorcyclist who was found guilty of speeding in a built-up area had his licence suspended for five years on Friday by Traffic Court Magistrate N. Bar.

The driver, Nathan Cylinder of Ramat Gan, admitted that he was driving at 70 k.p.h. on Rehov Arlosoroff in Tel Aviv. Maximum speed permitted is 40 k.p.h. He claimed however that he was speeding to recover his wallet which he had left behind in a Magen David Adom ambulance where he had given blood.

He also pleaded not to have his licence suspended as he earned his living as a driver. Magistrate Bar declared that the public's safety was more important than one person's livelihood, especially as the defendant had a previous record of reckless driving.

Car Kills Boy, 5, In Mother's Presence

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A five-year-old boy was killed by a passing car while crossing the road with his mother on Friday morning. The mother was unhurt.

The boy, Danny Shabat of Alkush Village, was crossing the Haifa-Acre highway at the Bayside intersection when the accident occurred at 9 a.m.

The driver was detained.

Search Given Up For Missing 85-Year-Old

ASHKELON. — An intensive three-day search for Esther Lavar, 85, who disappeared from home here early in the week, was finally abandoned on Saturday. Police believe there is no longer any hope of finding her alive.

Planes and police trackers had joined an intensive search for the missing woman, with no results. *(Itim.)*

1,039 IMMIGRANTS, the majority of them from Eastern Europe, arrived in Israel by air during the past week.

Jordan Bars 100 Xmas Pilgrims

By CHRIS ELIOU
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jordan authorities have banned at least 100 Israel Christians from crossing to the Old City on December 24 to celebrate Christmas in Bethlehem, it was learned in Jerusalem on Friday. Almost 2,000 applications were submitted.

The number of those rejected is the biggest since the crossing arrangement has been in force.

The Jordan liaison officer, Najati Nashashibi, to whom the list of intended pilgrims was submitted by the Israel authorities, gave no reason for the rejections. At a meeting with the Jerusalem District Officer, Mr. Raphael Levy, on Friday he handed the latter a list of 1,737 names which had been approved.

Mr. Levy declined to state how many applications had been turned down by Israel.

Those who will cross the lines comprise 743 persons from Nazareth, 357 from Haifa, 333 from Acre, 163 from Jerusalem, 10 from Lydda, 42 from Ramle and 89 from Jaffa.

The list of those applicants who will be allowed to cross for the Eastern and Armenian Christmas celebrations (January 6 and 18 respectively) will be returned in a week's time at a further meeting of the two officials.

The Old City daily "A-Diffa" reported on Friday that 87 persons were barred from crossing the lines because they were "a danger to Jordan's security."

Jerusalem police are planning to speed up the checking procedure at Mandelbaum Gate this year. The pilgrims will receive their permits together with their foreign currency — one dinar for IL5.040 — beforehand at the Generali Building.

In addition to approximately 2,000 Israelis who are to cross, almost 200 foreigners will go over to Jordan for Christmas. The latter include diplomatic, consular and U.N. staff as well as clergymen, foreign residents and a number of tourists.

Crack Down on Blinding Headlights in North

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA.—As of Sunday night (today), the traffic police will be on the prowl on roads throughout the north to pounce on drivers who blind oncoming motorists by failing to dim their headlights.

The first part of the campaign conducted in the north against blinding lights — the warning phase — ended on Thursday night. In eight evenings, 7,680 motor vehicles of all types were voluntarily brought by their drivers to six control stations to have head and rear lights checked for conformance to regulations.

Police report that most of the driving public has been cooperative. The Minister of the Interior, executives and members of the consular corps were among those who reported to the stations.

But now the traffic constables have taken off their kid gloves to write out tickets for blinding, for which the police can suspend the driver's licence.

The anti-blinding campaign is sponsored by the Alliance Tire and Rubber Company and the Sonol Oil Company.

'Shay' Glazer's Two Goals Keep T.A. Maccabi on Top

Jerusalem Post Staff

Tel Aviv Maccabi retained top place in the National League with a 3:1 win over Jaffa Maccabi on the latter's ground before 6,000 fans on Saturday. Tel Aviv's victory, sparked by veteran "Shay" Glazer's two goals, was well-deserved, while Jaffa put up a tough struggle.

Glazer, Tel Aviv's centre-forward, was well supported by right-half Goldstein, Nahmias and Rafi Levi. Jaffa Maccabi were at times dangerous, but lacked co-ordination. The first goal came from Rafi Levi, after a melee in the Jaffa goalmouth following a free-kick by Glazer in the eighth minute. Bochus equalized for Jaffa in the 23rd from a penalty kick, and then Glazer broke through in the 29th and 69th minutes, with his two magnificent goals.

Haifa Hapoel at home beat Jerusalem Hapoel, 2-1, to move into second place in the National League. The 7,000 fans who watched the home team's performance were very disappointed, our reporter adds, despite the victory. Haifa were devoid of any skill in defence as well as attack, while Jerusalem were in an aggressive mood and stubborn in defence. Haifa's goals came from by Ben Susan, outside-right, and Ashkenazi, inside-right, and Jerusalem's from M. Cohen, centre-forward. Ginsburg, of Haifa, was injured at the start, which weakened his team's defence.

Upset at Natanya

The surprise result of the day's fixtures was the 2:1 victory of Natanya Maccabi (eighth in the League) over Haifa Maccabi — fourth. Haifa went to pieces after their opponents fired in two quick goals in the 60th and 62nd minutes — by Shrager and Heine. Haifa's only goal came from Menahel, after a fairly even, goal-less first half. Natanya went all out to a vigorous attack when they returned to the field.

Tel Aviv Hapoel trounced bottom-placed Kfar Saba Hapoel 4:0 to move into third place. A goal before the interval, netted by outside-left Saposnikov, with Rosenbaum and Haim Glaser active in the second, enabled Tel Aviv to romp home.

At Jaffa, neither Petah Tikva Maccabi nor Tel Aviv Betar succeeded in scoring a goal.

Three goals by Petah Tikva Hapoel in the first half against Ramat Gan Hapoel and fruitless persistent efforts by Ramat Gan to equalize in the second half featured the meeting between these teams. Inside-right Kaufmann scored first and inside-left Rahabi added two.

Rehovot Hapoel Top

In League A, Rehovot Hapoel beat Kiryat Haim Hapoel, 2-1, to take over first place. In the Capital, Jerusalem Betar shared the two points in a rough game with Tel Aviv Bnei Yehuda, which resulted in a draw of 1-1. Both goals were scored in the first half. The first goal was netted by Dassa, of Bnei Yehuda, in the 17th minute. Betar equalized in the 35th minute through a beautiful header from Davidoff, from a corner kick by Siani.

The fierce game brought nothing but casualties. Ten minutes before the end of the game the referee sent Davidoff off the ground after a five minute argument with the players.

National League Standings

	G	GA	Pts.
T.A. Mac.	5	9:1	9
Haifa Hap.	5	11:6	8
T.A. Hap.	5	7:3	7
Jaffa Mac.	5	7:5	7
Petah T. Hap.	5	10:5	6
Haifa Mac.	5	8:6	5
J'lem Hap.	5	4:5	5
Natanya Mac.	5	6:6	4
Ramat G. Hap.	5	4:6	4
Petah T. Mac.	5	1:10	3
T.A. Betar	5	0:6	3
Kfar S. Hap.	5	5:17	0

LEAGUE A RESULTS:

Mahane Yehuda Hap.-Hadera Hap., 3-1; B'nei Yehuda-J'lem Betar, 1-1; Rehovot Hap.-K.Haim Hap., 2-1; T.A. Hakoah-Rehovot Mac., 1-0; Hadera Mac.-Sha'arayim Mac., 3-0; T.A. Shimshon-Afula Hap., 6-1.

Standings:

Rehovot Hap.	5	9:7	8
K. Haim Hap.	5	6:2	7
B'nei Yehuda	5	9:5	7
Hadera Mac.	5	10:6	7
Hadera Hap.	5	12:10	6
T.A. Hakoah	5	7:5	5
Mahane Y. Hap.	5	6:5	5
Sha'arayim Mac.	5	11:10	5
J'lem Betar	5	10:13	4
T.A. Shimshon	5	2:7	3
Rehovot Mac.	5	3:1	2
Afula Hap.	5	1:11	1

Gibbons Returning To Train P.T. Hapoel

TEL AVIV. — The British trainer and former England soccer international, Mr. A. H. Gibbons, will return to Israel next year to train the Petah Tikva Hapoel Club, it was learned here.

Mr. Gibbons was mentor of the Petah Tikva club before he took up a post in Sydney, Australia, coaching a club with which he has been for the past two years.

Prior to that he had trained the Israel national eleven, and Hapoel has proposed to the Football Association that the British trainer be engaged again to put the national eleven in trim. The Hapoel proposal will be discussed at a special meeting of the Association next Wednesday.

The present Petah Tikva Hapoel trainer, Mr. Eliezer Spiegel, a protege of Mr. Gibbons, is expected to transfer to Petah Tikva Maccabi as coach in place of Mr. Jack Fairbrother, who leaves the country next week.

U.S. THROUGH TO DAVIS CUP CHALLENGE ROUND

PERTH (UPI). — The United States clinched its inter-zone Davis Cup tennis final round with Italy Saturday when Alex Olmedo and Ham Richardson, scored a 7-9, 6-4, 13-11, 7-5 victory over Orlando Sirola and Nicola Pietrangeli. This gave the U.S. an unbeatable 3-0 lead in the best-of-five match series and reduced Sunday's two singles matches to the status of exhibitions.

The U.S. will meet Australia in the Davis Cup Challenge Round in Brisbane, Dec. 29-31. Olmedo defeated Pietrangeli, 5-7, 10-8, 6-0, 6-1, in Friday's opening singles match while Richardson turned back Sirola 4-6, 6-2, 7-5.

Pre-State Arms Caches Found in Jerusalem

An English-make Sten gun, a magazine and a bullet were found in an unused storage room of the Orion Cinema in Jerusalem on Thursday and handed over to the police.

The Sten gun had been given to the Cinema owners during the Mandatory period and had since been forgotten. It was found by the projectionist, who notified the police.

A similar arms cache of five live grenades from pre-State days was discovered at the Orion Cinema in June of this year.

On Thursday a can containing 96 cartridges of Czech manufacture was discovered in a house in Kiryat Yovel in Jerusalem. The ammunition was confiscated by police, who have opened an investigation. *(Itim.)*

Wounded in Abdomen By Own Sten Gun

BEERSHEBA. — An 18-year-old tractor driver from the Gvaram settlement was seriously injured Friday morning when his Sten gun went off and the bullet entered his abdomen.

The driver, Y. Ofer, had taken the gun along with him when he went out to plough and put it under the driver's seat.

Police state that the bouncing of the tractor had triggered the gun.

The injured man was taken to the Kaplan Hospital in Rehovot. *(Itim.)*

Cables in Brief

ISOLATED. — Fierce Atlantic storms have isolated the 40 persons living on Berlenga island, about 20 kilometres off the coast of Central Portugal, for nine days.

HOLDUP. — Madrid police said that a police inspector had confessed to shooting and killing an Air Ministry clerk whom he and his wife had robbed of two million pesetas in a car holdup.

CRASH. — Twenty-eight persons were drowned and seven badly injured when a lorry fell into a stream at the bottom of a chasm 80 metres deep near Fere, southern Turkey.

REFUGEES. — The West German Refugees Ministry said that this year an average of 18,000 refugees had registered monthly in the three reception camps in Berlin, Giessen, and Uelzen.

BUSHFIRE. — A bushfire which in six days raged through three Californian countries, killing a forest ranger, and wrecking over 64,000 acres of valuable land, was brought under control on Saturday. Forest officials said that the fire was started by a tracer bullet fired by a boy at his father's ranch.

FRACAS. — An assembly man was seriously injured on Saturday when a free-for-all-fight broke out in the South Korean National Assembly following an Opposition attempt to lock out the Liberal Party majority.

MILLIONS. — The estate of Tyrone Power was estimated at $5m. by his former wife, actress Linda Christian, in a petition to the Los Angeles Superior Court. She asked the court on Thursday to award money to her daughters by Power, Romina, seven, and Taryn, five.

NIGER. — The Niger Territorial Assembly has voted to make the territory a member state of the French Community, like all the other states of French Equatorial Africa with the exception of Guinea.

No New York Papers In Christmas Week

NEW YORK (UPI). — The shutdown of the nine major New York City dailies due to the strike of the newspaper deliverers continued into its 11th day on Saturday with little prospect seen for a quick settlement.

In addition to the publishers who, it is said, are losing more than $1.5m. for every day their papers remain closed, the strike has affected the city's retail stores most sharply with sales reported to be down quite a bit for what should be a pre-Christmas sales rush.

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Africa Finds Its Voice

'Hands Off' at Accra Conference

By GEORGE CLAY

ACCRA (OFNS). — THE bizarre trimmings to an African political meeting often tend to obscure its significance in Western eyes. The All-African People's Conference here was no exception. A delegate who made his speech with two freedom placards clutched awkwardly like Christmas shopping bundles across his chest and another held rigidly aloft, the sight of a bespectacled face peering out from under a cowrie shell-studded headress like a Balaclava helmet, and the incongruity of a beaded apron worn with a blue lounge suit, added faintly absurd touches to the occasion. Yet there has probably never been a more significant meeting of Africans on this continent.

The conference was a sequel to the April meeting of representatives of independent States in Africa held in Accra on the initiative of the Prime Minister of Ghana, Dr. Kwame Nkrumah. That conference sought to bind the independent States in a unity of purpose that would evolve into an "African personality." Last week's conference was an attempt to continue that process and widen its scope.

200 Delegates

While the April meeting was an inter-Governmental affair restricted to eight States, last week's conference was attended by more than 200 delegates from 62 African political and trade union organizations representing both Government and Opposition viewpoints in 25 countries on this continent. Libya and the Sudan were the only two countries which did not have their political parties represented.

The conference marked the beginning of a new phase in the anti-colonial campaign—a phase in which Africans who are still seeking independence will receive active support from those States which have already achieved it. The conference not only took a positive decision to this effect but evolved the practical machinery to implement it.

A secretariat is to be established in Accra with sub-agencies in various parts of Africa. Through this organization the political activity of the anti-colonial forces throughout the continent will be coordinated. A "freedom fund" will supply money. The aims of the organization will be "to promote understanding and unity among the peoples of Africa, to accelerate the liberation of Africa from imperialism and colonialism, to mobilize world opinion in support of African liberation, to develop a feeling of one community among the peoples of Africa with the object of enhancing the emergence of a United States of Africa."

The impulse towards unity has been growing swiftly among independent States in Africa recently and the Ghana-Guinea union has given concrete expression to it. Added importance has now been given to the unification movement by the fact that African political leaders from those countries which have not yet achieved independence have joined in talks on the subject and subscribed whole-heartedly to the principle. Not only did the All-African Conference endorse the theory of a "Commonwealth" or "United States" of Africa, but it got down to a practical discussion of the issues involved.

In this, as was to be expected, it struck immediate difficulties. The committee assigned to the task bogged down for some time in an argument over disputed boundaries and the unification of the Cameroons and Togoland. It had set out boundaries and the adjustment of existing African frontiers, amalgamation, federation, or confederation of geographic regional State groupings into an ultimate Pan-African Commonwealth of free independent United States of Africa."

The emotional spring behind it was the desire to redraw the map of Africa which, the conference felt, had been sadly distorted in the "scramble for Africa." But the committee soon realized the impossibility at this stage of making arbitrary decisions about boundaries. Instead, it contented itself with a broad examination of the problem, from which emerged a recommendation that "as a first step towards the attainment of the broad objective of an African Commonwealth the independent States should amalgamate themselves into groups on the basis of geographical contiguity, economic interdependence and linguistic and cultural affinity."

Regional Groupings

It suggested regional groupings in North Africa, West Africa, East Africa, Central Africa and South Africa. It expressed the hope that such groups would not harden as separate entities and impede progress towards a continental Commonwealth, but would be regarded as a stepping stone to the greater objective of a Pan-African Commonwealth. And it advocated that these groupings should be based on three principles: (1) Only independent States and countries governed by Africans should come together (2) adherence of any group should be based on the wishes of the people ascertained by a referendum; (3) the establishment of groups should not be prejudicial to the ultimate objective of a Pan-African Commonwealth.

It is significant perhaps that while the conference publicly, and most delegates privately, endorsed the idea of a Ghana-Guinea union, that union was not automatically accepted — despite Dr. Nkrumah's claims — as being the nucleus of any future grouping for either West Africa or for a larger area.

The conference decided, too, call on the independent States to embark on specific measures in protest at the race policies of one of the African countries. It called for economic sanctions, a trade and labour boycott, and the severance of diplomatic relations with South Africa — a significant pointer to the kind of tactics which may be employed later against other colonial or minority Governments.

Apart from the results which may flow from its practical planning, this conference is bound to have considerable effect on world opinion which must recognise the power of the motivating force which brought together so many widely disparate political elements and united them in a unanimous acceptance of a common programme of principles and action. Even if it had not achieved this unanimity the conference would have been valuable for the opportunity it presented for the politicians of Africa to discover precisely where their differences lie. And from this discovery must come a new realism which will stand them in good stead in the eventful days to come.

Two Currents

Dr. Nkrumah told the conference that it had seen a merger of two African political currents: the current of independence and the current of interdependence. Whether the impulse towards unity among African States will survive the general achievement of independence throughout the continent remains to be seen. But certainly this conference demonstrated that when African leaders today talk of independence they mean exactly what they say. On the evidence of this conference "independence" in Africa today does not just mean freedom from present colonialism or imperialism, but a positive assertion of a distinctive "African personality."

A huge banner above the stage in the conference hall said "Hands off Africa" and both publicly and in private many African leaders made it clear that the slogan meant not only a demand that the hands of the existing colonial Powers be removed but that other countries should keep their hands off. To those colonial Powers who fear that their abdication in Africa might come as significant reassurance. The chairof the conference, Mr. Tom Mboya, of Kenya, put very frankly the attitude of the African towards Communism. The colonial Powers which feared Communism, he said, should realize that they cannot fight it with negative policies. Rather they should try to "match the internationalism of Communism item by item with the internationalism of democracy. "But," he said, "we endorse the policy of non-alignment and neutralism."

A Kenya delegate, Mr. Kiano, also broadened his hands-off warning to specifically include Communists. "Whoever is against the idea of Africa being ruled by the African, be he white settler, Fascist, Communist or capitalist exploiter . . . should hear this: the ports are open and ships available for such enemies of African freedom to pack up and quit Africa." And later he named Russia and America equally with colonial Powers in a rousing condemnation: "America, the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, France, Belgium, Spain, and Portugal hear this: Africans do not believe you when you say believe in democracy and freedom. Your actions or abstentions speak louder than words."

Observers regard as significant, too, the cool reception given, despite the presence of a well-distributed *claque*, to the eloquent appeal from Dr. W.E.B. Dubois, an American Negro Pan-Africanist of long standing for Africa to align itself with the East and embrace Communism. Another pointer to the mood of the conference was its decision not to allow the governments of countries outside Africa to contribute to the "freedom fund" which it is to establish.

Not even the most assiduous bogey-hunter could claim that the All-African People's Conference was run by either Moscow or Cairo. There were fraternal delegates from Russia and other Communist countries at the conference. But there were just as many, if not more, from the Western world — notably the U.S.

A careful check was kept on credentials. Behind the scenes the United Arab Republic's proposed representation by 30 people was cut down to 11, representing only three organizations. In many other little ways the organizers prevented the conference from being dominated by any group.

And perhaps there is more than surface significance in the fact that although one of the banners outside the conference hall proclaimed "Long Live the Union of African Republics," the phrases chosen by the leaders of the discussion to express their unification ideas were "Commonwealth of African Nations" and "United States of Africa."

MUSICAL DIARY

Yuize and Yamamoto, presenting classical Japanese music.

Japanese Musik

Recital of Japanese Music. Shinkiki Yuize, koto, with Hozan Yamamoto, shakuhachi (flute), (I.B.A. Auditorium, December 15).

DESPITE a natural monotony (probably intended) this music ultimately catches and retains the listener's attention. Alternating melancholy and joy are its main characteristics and a single, infinitely varied theme derived from a pentatonic scale seems to be its basis.

Mr. Yuize, who plays the koto, a 13-string instrument tuned differently in every piece but mostly in fourths, major thirds and major and minor seconds, appears to be the more seasoned artist. He also often sings in a falsetto voice, accompanying himself on a kind of a primitive four-stringed guitar and on which the glissando is used with proficiency. Mr. Yamamoto, the shakuhachi (flute) player, possesses a virtuosity that really is astonishing when one realizes that the instrument looks, and probably is, quite primitive. Besides, the flute player deploys a beautifully melancholic tone often reduced in its passages to less than quarter tones.

The seven works performed at this recital each had a different character, although to an inexperienced ear they might have sounded all the same. This is probably the reason why a substantial part of the audience left before the end.

Dr. Edith Gerson-Kiwi commented on every number but unfortunately his voice probably did not reach beyond the auditorium's third row. The undersigned sat in the 15th.

AVIDOM

Radio Concert

The Kol Yisrael Orchestra, Eitan Lustig, conductor; Blaise Calame, violin (Y.M.C.A., Jerusalem, December 16). H. Jacoby: Popular Suite; Milhaud: Concertino de printemps for Violin and Orchestra, Prokofieff: Symphony No. 1 ("Classical"); Bach: Violin Concerto in A-minor; Mozart Symphony No. 41 in C.

THESE Tuesday Night Concerts often serve as a trial stage for young artists, but there was disappointment as on this occasion. Mr. Blaise Calame, the guest artist from Switzerland, seems to have been misinformed on Israel musical standards. Nothing really recommends him for a career as soloist: his technique is not above what is required of any orchestra violinist, his playing does not show any special talent, and there was little personality in evidence.

Eitan Lustig is the meritorious conductor of the Tel Aviv Chamber Choir. His conducting betrayed his life-long association with choir work. His sweeping gestures may be good for getting a large choir moving, but an orchestra of trained musicians needs concentrated and precise movements. Lustig's is a likeable personality brimming with musical temperament, but his interpretation is in black and white, without subtle shades and skin-deep only. The orchestra, accordingly, gave a routine performance, with Jacoby's "Popular Suite" standing out head-

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Journalists Not 'Enemy' of Government

Ha'aretz (non-party) criticizing the recent instructions in regard to relations with the press, declares: "Journalists are not 'the enemy'; the information that they collect is not intended for the enemy, but for the Israel public; paragraph 27 (a) of the Amendment to the Penal Law (Security of the State) does not justify the subordination of the journalists to the Press Officers of the Ministries. Let the Government cease this unfortunate attempt to limit the press's liberty to collect information."

Davar (Histadrut) dwelling on the dispute which ended Mr. Bentov's projected trip to Asia, declares that its editorial board alone was responsible for its recent leader opposing the journey, and points out that in the past it has criticized other delegations largely or entirely composed of Mapai members and that it did not criticize previous journeys of the Minister of Development or of other Ministers belonging to Mapam and Ahdut Ha'avoda. As for Mr. Eshkol's journeys, the paper says that unfortunately Israel's Minister of Finance must make many journeys all over the globe.

Herut writes: "Certainly, we have no intention of defending Mapam, which is so closely attached to its Cabinet seats that it welcomes gross insults and blows at its honour, and has not the courage to draw the inevitable conclusions from such an attitude. But the citizens of the country have now had an additional illustration of the rottenness of the ruling party, the vulgar style in which it shows its sole control over the State, its lack of respect for its partners, through whom it maintains its rule, and the demoralization that it sows all over the country."

Hatsofe (National Religious) writes: "A Government within which such grave mutual accusations are made has no right to exist. It has lost the last remnants of confidence even from the parties that support it, for it is a Government of waste and sabotage, according to the evidence of both sides."

Haboker (General Zionist) avers that "even the demonstrative way in which he ignored Israel, and his favourable attitude to Arab nationalism," did not help Mr. Rountree when he visited Baghdad. Though his conclusions are still a secret, it is clear that his object was to appease Nasser — and if necessary even Nasserism. "If on his visit to Cairo," the paper says, "he had cast a glance at Suez and realized that the West's appeasement policy breathed its last on the invasion grounds of Port Said, he would have clearly understood how trivial his appeasement proposals seemed to Nasser." If the West is deceived by Nasser's "smiling whispers in the ears of their representatives that without him the Middle East is lost to Communism, and gives him economic assistance, it will be a serious blow not only to his enemies but also to the West," the paper sums up.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) expresses profound regret at the vote of Israel's U.N. delegation against "the proposal that recognizes Algeria's independence and calls on France to open negotiations with the rebels for the liquidation of the revolt," especially since Israel was the only Asian nation to vote against the resolution.

"Could we not have adopted the same course as even countries like Turkey and the Philippines took — and abstained?" the paper asks. "This vote was indeed opposed to the ethics of our national liberation movement, harmful to the historic interests of the State of Israel, and in contradiction to our aim of integration among the peoples of Asia ... No doubt it will be said that our ties with France obliged us to vote in this way. But whatever may be our ties with France and the interests connected with them, for us the historic interests of Israel are decisive."

Friday's Press

READERS' LETTERS

Deterioration of a Highway

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The Natanya-Tel Aviv road, once in excellent condition, was intended to be a Class A highway. It has slowly deteriorated, however, and today it can hardly be termed Class B.

About four or five months ago, comprehensive repairs were carried out near Kilometre 9-10 and shortly afterwards the road surface began flowing from west to east, turning this stretch into an extremely dangerous road.

As I assume that nobody was interested in creating a river, I presume that the road was repaired in an incompetent manner or with unsuitable materials. Now, with the aid of a scraper, the surface has been more or less straightened. However, this stretch of the road still remains sub-standard. We are continually told that our roads are improving and that the most modern systems are used in order to provide a level and durable surface. What happened here, then?

I wonder, furthermore, why the Tel Aviv Municipality desists from repairing their part of the road. This section has long been in a deplorable condition and is full of undulations; driving at a speed exceeding 50 k.p.h. is detrimental to the cars and may cause accidents. It takes too long to slow down a car upon braking; the cars are not stable on the road; footpaths are worn out and full of obstacles. It appears, furthermore, that on this very stretch of the highway which bears the brunt of the traffic, there is not one single place where the road has been widened in order to accommodate stopping buses.

I have to say, and to my regret, that as a matter of fact serious accidents have occurred at least partly for the reasons stated above.

Is there no competent authority responsible for the condition of the roads in this country, with the power to institute criminal proceedings against the heads of departments who neglect their duty, in order to enforce that roads should be kept in safe condition?

Yours, etc.
R. HABOUS

Tel Aviv, October 16.

Ministry of Labour Replies

I take the liberty to reply only to the first part of Mr. Marcus' letter, dealing with that part of the road which is maintained by the Public Works Department.

In March, 1957, the part of the road under discussion was covered with a layer of asphaltic concrete for the purpose of strengthening its structure and creating a smooth and convenient level for driving. Contrary to Mr. Marcus' assumption, this work was carried out with good materials and in accordance with the most modern methods used in asphalt work.

At the beginning of the summer of 1958, the asphalt layer became soft and undulations were created in it. Detailed examination revealed that this was caused by a defect in the asphalt production apparatus. To our regret, there is no way of foreseeing such a defect or of noticing it during the implementation of the work. Such defects are not rare in laying such difficult and complicated asphalt layers, even in countries which have longer experience in this field than we.

The asphalt bumps were scraped and straightened out as a temporary measure, in order to prevent accidents and to make it easier for traffic. There was no intention, however, of letting it go at this, and on a suitable occasion the defective layer will be entirely removed and replaced by stabler and smoother asphalt.

Yours, etc.
B. RACHMANI
Press Officer

Jerusalem, November 30.

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Beef Herds on the Build

Dealers, Housewives Bemoan the Butchers

By PHILIP GILLON

THE cattle dealer leaned sadly on the paddock of kibbutz Nir-Am; with tears in his eyes he begged the young rancher to take pity on him. Famous as a dealer throughout the ranches of the South, his technique involves complete emotional breakdowns, quotations from the Bible, driving off in his jeep — and then coming back for an extra hour's bargaining. These days, he maintains, he operates at a loss, solely as a philanthropist trying to keep the butchers rich. "I lose so much money on every head I buy," he says forlornly, "That the only way I make a living is that I don't work Saturdays."

He quotes impressive statistics to prove his arguments that the butchers are cleaning up impressive profits at the expense of ranchers, traders and housewives. While the price of fresh meat has hardly fallen (apart from a sensational slash by the Supermarket) amounts paid to the traders and breeders have dropped by a third.

Today the buyer pays the rancher an average price of IL2.200 per kilo, live weight. He becomes automatically responsible for the payment of IL80 per head, irrespective of weight or quality, to the veterinarian and the representative of the rabbinate. Even if they condemn the beast he has to make his payment.

On top of this expense, which cannot be passed on to the butcher, the wicked butcher insists on getting free all the bones, skin, liver and other internal oddments which account in all for some 25% of the weight of the beast. These the butcher sells at anything between IL1 and IL2 per kilo to the public. For what remains the butcher pays the trader anything between IL3.800 and IL4.800 per kilo — so where does the difference go that the public pays?

Between 160 and 200 head of cattle take the long last trail to Tel Aviv each week. This is many times the number that made the sad journey two years ago, when the butchers struck and determined the prevailing prices. Since then the programme of cross-breeding American bulls and Mediterranean cows has moved out of the experimental stage into the tried and proven. Cattle-breeding on the kibbutzim attracted by "Operation Cowboy" has been such a success that the Government and the Jewish Agency have now embarked on a new programme of "Two beef cows for every moshav." Altogether 4,000 head of cattle are to be imported from Yugoslavia and distributed among the villagers, particularly among the inhabitants of the villages established in the last nine years.

The theory is that it is essential, psychologically, to have some livestock on the farm to tie the farmer to his soil. At first the Jewish Agency tried to achieve this by giving them milking sheep. The experiment failed: the immigrants simply failed to attend to the milking. On the other hand an experiment with beaf in the Western Negev, at Moshav Mellkot, was a success.

The plan is that every village will build up a herd of approximatey 100 cows and three Hereford bulls (an incidental problem is that religious settlements object on principle to oxen, normally an essential part of any herd).

Arduous Trek

The herding settlements in the Negev will be a considerable distance, in most cases, from their pastures, and a cow-herd will have to collect the cattle each day to take them on a long, dusty pilgrimage. Thus from the village of Zimat they will have to go daily for a distance of six kilometres to the grazing along the Gaza Strip. Some experts doubt whether the cattle can bear this arduous daily trek; others are more sanguine.

According to Larry Short, the U.S.O.M. expert who is advising on range management, Israelis will have to leave beef cattle out on the range, protected against theft by branding and fences. The automatic objection, of course, is: "What about infiltrators?" Larry Short is not particularly impressed. He reckons that any honest offspring of a Brahman bull should run the smartest rustler up the nearest tree. He points out that in the old days of the Wild West the herds roamed freely and managed to survive the depredations of Red Indians.

A more serious danger may come from meat poachers who kill the cow, cut off some prime steaks and rush off to some morally short-sighted butcher to sell the meat without benefit of veterinary, rabbinate or trader. Are there butchers prepared to buy under such circumstances? (According to the expert on the species who was leaning on that Nir-Am fence, there certainly are!) Larry Short considers that with a strong Brands Law and a good system of inspection Israel can reach the same standards of anti-thief protection as America has. In any case, fences will have to come to protect rangeland.

Trees or Beef

Originally 4,000,000 dunam were set aside for rangeland, but Mr. Joseph Weitz of the Jewish National Fund has enthusiastically put about a million dunams of these reserves under afforestation. The amount of additional food that the cattle need, over and above pasture grasses, can be cut down to an average of 20 per cent of their needs if the pastures are handled correctly. The ranchers who started so dubiously on "Operation Cowboy" have become convinced that it pays them to breed beef for cattle.

In fact, everyone is feeling happy about those potential steaks, except our discouraged trader and the housewife. In a democracy it is impossible to satisfy all the people all the time.

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3. To elect Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors of the Company.
5. Miscellaneous.

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T. Getreuer, Secretary

Haifa, December 17, 1958.